

SECOND AND THIRD PRIZE ESSAYS IN HIGH SCHOOL CONTEST

Below are given the second and third prize essays in the high school contest recently held under the auspices of the Woman's Liberty Loan committee. The first prize essay was written by Ardie Merrick, class 1-A, and was reproduced last week. The second prize was won by Leontine Cook, class 1-A; third prize by Charles Warren, class 3-A:

Why We Should Buy Liberty Bonds

By Leontine Cook

War! North, south, east, west, the word was flashed. The president of the United States of America had declared war upon the imperial government of Germany, and joined forces with the weakening Allies.

In a remarkably short time a million men had been trained thoroughly and were sent as quickly as possible to war stricken Europe. The first and second Liberty Loans made it possible for the government to do that. We had made a fine beginning in this war for Democracy against the Hun.

The daily newspapers gave account of the battles that were being fought far across the sea. Who has not read or heard of the astonishing victory our marines won at Chateau Thierry? It did our hearts good to know that our boys had turned the tide against Germany. In almost every battle that the Americans participated, they distinguished themselves with glory and brought exclamations of gratitude and praise from England, France and the other Allies.

Now, why did our boys go at this fighting with such vigor? Here's the reason. They knew that the folks at home stood back of them, that we would never cease our efforts for a single moment in this war against the evil of autocracy! And we have stood back of them. Until the day that the armistice was signed, we worked, and gave, and it is to be way that we could, and it is to be hoped that every one was glad to do his bit.

While the factories in this country were turning out war supplies, everything that was needed for war; and while Y. M. C. A. men, Red Cross and Salvation workers were asking and working night and day; our boys in France were fighting and conquering using up everything that was supplied to them, and calling for more. The third and fourth Liberty Loans paid for the guns, ammunition, ambulances, aeroplanes, food and clothing; in fact for everything that the war demanded.

What courage and supreme sacrifice did it take for YOU to loan your money to the government? You gave with the knowledge that sometime your money would be returned. Did it not take a wonderful sacrifice, and a courageous spirit, for the mothers, fathers, sweethearts, and wives to give up their sons, husbands, and lovers? They gave with the knowledge that their soldier might be the one that would never return. Do we not owe the boys and men of America a debt of gratitude so great that we can never possibly pay them? What heroism it must have taken for them to make the supreme sacrifice of death; to be able to enter battle with a word of song, or a grim smile, upon their lips, though they knew that some would never return.

Can you imagine what horrors our soldiers, and all the fighters of this war, must have undergone? Does it

not seem impossible to realize them? Yet our boys went through it all, and those that were left came back with undaunted American courage.

Then, after those dark years of war, came peace. In France, the field of battle, the people could hardly believe it. And when they realized at last the Allies were victorious, their joy was so great that it knew no bounds. Strangers embraced each other on the streets, strong men laughed and wept. Women walked around with a dazed, happy look on their faces.

In America, also, was excitement and joy. The war was over! We were victorious! In some way we had always known that ours was the side that would conquer, and after our labor and unselfishness we were at last rewarded.

America made the victory of Democracy over Autocracy possible. Had it not been for her, strive as they might, England, France, and their Allies, would surely have been conquered.

The cost of Victory is great. Billions of dollars were spent, but more precious than gold, billions of lives were lost. This was the price of victory and the cost of Germany's greed. Although the war is ended, our work must not stop. There are the soldiers in France who are anxious to return to their country once more. It must be paid for. Gas, perfected by scientists, more poisonous than any gas ever known, was ready to be shipped when the war was ended. It was not used, yet the price must still be paid.

The desolate and ruined countries ravaged by the Hun must be aided. But, most of all, our soldiers who were wounded, blinded, disfigured, disabled for life, must be taken care of, and the people of America must do this by lending more money to their government.

Can any one who has looked at the matter in this war dare to hold back their money when the need is so urgent?

A true patriot will not dare. A loyal and grateful American will give to the uttermost for this cause. And if you consider yourself an American in every sense of the word, you will give to and boost this Victory Loan with all your might so that America can finish her work as well as she began it.

Leontine Cook.

Play Fair

By Charles Warren

We hope and believe there is no one in our district who needs to be persuaded that they should buy Victory bonds. If so, we are sure that with a little thought on the subject and a correct understanding of the matter they will unanimously forsake their present view for that of their townsmen, that to buy Victory bonds is the only way to play fair.

Surely if there is any one in the world who is entitled to a square deal it is Uncle Sam. Not one of us can say we are not indebted to him, so heavily indebted that we can only clear ourselves by giving him our heartiest support in all matters.

Perhaps our greatest debt is that for our safety while so many homes in the world were being visited by that hellish demon, the Hun. During that period we trusted Uncle Sam to protect us and he did; incurring in our defense debts, which now that the time for settling has come, he has

asked our assistance in meeting. Will we fail him? We will not! Americans play fair. We do not accept help when we are in danger, then shirk when asked to bear our share of the sacrifice.

When our Atlantic coast was in danger of attack we told Uncle Sam to protect us at any cost. He took us at our word and built submarine chasers to patrol our coast. He manufactured great quantities of munitions and poison gas, hundreds of tanks and ships. These must all be paid for and the debt is ours. We can pay it by buying Victory bonds.

Are we fair to our boys if we do not give all we can to finish the work they have begun? They have beaten the Hun but the work is not yet finished. It is necessary that an army of occupation be kept for awhile yet along the Rhine to hold the territory that has been won. We want the boys to whom this unwelcome task has fallen to have every comfort possible. If your boy has come home he will help you understand how these other boys feel. If they are not provided with entertainment their morals will suffer. The boys who are back home have been elaborately entertained. Is it fair to forget the thousands of boys who are still at their post abroad? They deserve just as much honor as those who are back. Don't fail them now, their work is just as important as when they were fighting. How true that, "We must lend to save what they have won."

Last but not least, be fair to yourself. No one can afford from a business point of view to let this opportunity pass. These bonds pay four and three fourths per cent interest, they are not taxable except under the income tax. They are by far the best investment on the market.

Lets have a Victory Loan card in every home in Medina. It is the only way to play fair with Uncle Sam, our boys and ourselves.

WHEATFIELD DAY, JUNE 27

Wheatfield Day, an annual event scheduled at the Ohio Experiment Station, Wooster, for Ohio farmers to demonstrate the benefit of fertilizers and manures in growing wheat, has been set for Friday, June 27.

The wheatfield day meeting will be preceded by a conference on June 24 and 25 of soil specialists from all the experiment stations in the eastern and middle western states.

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WAR DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES LOSSES

The war department announced the casualties of the combat divisions in France on Friday last. Medina county families who had or have sons in the service will find these figures of more than usual interest.

Div.	Dead	Wounded	Total
2d	4,419	20,657	25,076
1st	4,204	19,141	23,345
3d	3,102	15,052	18,154
28th	2,531	18,746	16,277
42d	2,713	13,292	16,005
26th	2,168	13,000	15,168
4th	2,587	11,596	14,183
32d	2,898	10,986	13,884

77th	1,990	9,966	11,956
27th	1,791	9,427	11,218
30th	1,652	9,429	11,081
5th	1,908	7,975	9,883
33d	1,002	8,251	9,253
89th	1,419	7,394	8,813
82d	1,338	6,890	8,228
78th	1,359	6,800	8,159
90th	1,387	6,623	8,010
35th	960	6,894	7,854
79th	1,396	6,194	7,590
80th	1,141	5,622	6,763
91st	1,390	5,106	6,496
940	940	5,129	6,169
37th	992	4,931	5,923
591	591	2,119	2,710
93d	574	2,009	2,583
70th	202	1,516	1,818
92d	185	1,495	1,680

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Miscellaneous units not included in divisions lost 1596 men killed, and 4462 wounded. These losses included men who went absent without leave to the front from depot divisions and were killed or wounded.

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Chippewa Lake Club

Grounds, formerly known as the Upper grounds, have been allotted and will be leased for ninety-nine years for the building of cottages. Leases will include privilege of the use of Chippewa Lake for boating, bathing and fishing. Sewer, natural gas, electric light and water will be installed. No business or objectionable buildings will be allowed. Groceries and provisions will be sold on the grounds.

This property is easily reached by the Cleveland & Southwestern Electric Line, Baltimore & Ohio R. R. or by automobile, being thirty-five miles south of Cleveland on the most beautiful natural lake in Ohio. The contract for rebuilding, the five miles of bad highway, near Brunswick, has been let for completion during 1919 which insures a first class auto road from Cleveland to Chippewa Lake.

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The Hotel will open for the Season Saturday, June 21st under the management of A. M. Beach, manager of Chippewa Lake Park. Applicants will be required to give first class references, it being the aim of the Company to insure a selected family community.

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